

**MANDATORY** Pre-bid meeting to be held on **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2016 at 2:00 p.m.**, at the WATER POLLUTION CONTROL CONFERENCE ROOM, 1800 VERMONT ROAD, HUNTSVILLE, AL 35802.

### **NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS**

**WANTED:** Sealed bids in duplicate for the construction of: **BOB WALLACE FORCEMAIN RELOCATION – DIRECTIONAL DRILLING**, more particularly known as **Project No. 71-16-SM02**.

#### **Description of Project:**

Project includes, but is not limited to, the following description: Installation of new, Owner furnished, 24-inch DIPS DR-11 high density polyethylene (HDPE) force main by horizontal directional drilling. Horizontal drilling work will be completed at five locations. Three locations require drilling beneath roadways: Drake Avenue, Patton Road, and Triana Boulevard. The remaining two locations require drilling beneath Spring Branch creek and a small creek located near the Metro Kiwanis Sportsplex. The Work also includes any necessary open cut segments at bore pits, landscape restoration, road repair, traffic control, soil erosion control, and other appurtenances as needed for a complete project.

The attention of all bidders is called to Code of Alabama §§ 34-8-1 and 34-8-2 (1975) and 34-8-1, 34-8-2, 34-8-4, 34-8-6, 34-8-7, 34-8-8 and 34-8-9 (amended 1996) setting forth the definition of general contractor and the licensing procedures and requirements for state licensing. A copy of the above Codes may be obtained from the OWNER (City of Huntsville). No one is entitled to bid and no contract may be awarded to anyone who does not possess a valid general contractor's license and the required classification for the municipal type work to be performed. The general contractor's license and classification must appear on the outside of the bid envelope along with the general contractor's name and address, project name and number and date and time of bid opening. Section 39-3-5 Code of Alabama has been amended as follows:

"In awarding the Contract, preference will be given to Alabama resident contractors and a nonresident bidder domiciled in a state having laws granting preference to local contractors shall be awarded the Contract only on the same basis as the nonresident bidder's state awards contracts to Alabama contractors bidding under similar circumstances."

This project **BOB WALLACE FORCEMAIN RELOCATION – DIRECTIONAL DRILLING**, more particularly known as, **Project No. 71-16-SM02**, requires the contractor to possess a State of Alabama Classification of **Municipal and Utilities Contractor (MU)**.

After proposals are opened and read, they will be compared on the basis of the summation of bid amounts for each item shown in Attachment "A". In the event of a discrepancy between the prices shown in figures and in words, the words shall govern. A proposal will not be considered unless signed by the bidder or his authorized agent and accompanied by cashier's check or properly signed bid bond, as required by law.

In determining the successful bidder, the Owner will consider in addition to the bid prices, such responsibility factors as characteristics and responsibility, skill, experience, record of integrity in business, and of performance offered and past record of performance on Owner contracts on other similar projects. Any other factors not specifically mentioned or provided for herein, in addition to that of the bid price which would affect the final cost of the Owner, will be taken into consideration in making award of contract. The right is reserved to reject any bid where investigation of the business and technical organization of the bidder available for the contemplated work, including financial resources, equipment, and experience on similar projects does not satisfy the Owner that such bidder is qualified to perform the work. The City Council of the City of Huntsville reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive informalities.

Separate sealed bids for the construction of this project will be received at the **CONFERENCE ROOM** of the **CITY OF HUNTSVILLE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL DEPARTMENT, 1800 VERMONT ROAD, HUNTSVILLE, AL 35802** on the **29<sup>th</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2016 until 2:00 PM**. Each bid shall be accompanied by an original signed, dated and sealed Bid Bond in the amount of not less than five percent (5%) of the total shown on the schedule of prices, but not exceeding \$50,000.00. Quantities are known as Attachment "A". No bidder may withdraw his bid within ninety (90) days after the actual date of opening.

These Addenda, Special Provisions, Plans, the Supplement to General Requirements for Construction of Public Improvements City of Huntsville Specifications, Standard Specifications for Construction of Public Improvements Contract Projects and all supplementary documents are essential parts of the contract, and a requirement occurring in one is as binding as though occurring in all. They are intended to be complimentary and to describe and provide for a complete work. Contract Document Order of Precedence shall be as follows:

1. Addenda
2. General Requirements (Instructions to Bidders and Bid Proposal including Attachments)

3. Supplement to General Requirements
4. Drawings
5. Technical Specifications
6. City of Huntsville Standard Specifications for Construction of Public Improvements Contract Projects

Standard Specifications for Construction of Public Improvements Contract Projects and Engineering Standards are available at no charge by downloading from the City Engineering website: <http://www.huntsvilleal.gov/government/departments/engineering-department/>. Plans and proposals can be downloaded from our website at no cost: <http://www.huntsvilleal.gov/engineeringbids>. Contractors will be responsible for costs of duplicating their own plans and can choose photocopying facility of their choice. Additionally, Contractors are responsible for checking website for any revisions/updates. Contractor is required to submit pricing, provided by the COH (Attachment "A") and made available for download from the Engineering website, on either a CD-RW (preferably in a live/flash drive format) in the Excel format. The CD-RW (preferably in a live/flash drive format) must be in working condition and included with original bid packet and reflect the correct revision, along with two signed hard copies. Bid must be submitted from the file (Quantities) provided and downloaded from the City of Huntsville's website. Failure to do so may be cause for rejection of bid. The City reserves the right to reject any altered bid resulting from altering the CD in any manner. If a price discrepancy is found on the CD-RW, or the correct version of bid quantities is not submitted on the CD-RW which corresponds to the printed hard copy, then printed hard copy prices submitted with original bid documents, with Contractor signature, will prevail. All bids must be SEALED before submittal at the bid opening. Any bids received that are not sealed will be immediately rejected.

#### E-VERIFY – NOTICE

The Beason-Hammon Alabama Taxpayer and Citizen Protection Act, Act No. 2011-535, Code of Alabama (1975) § 31-13-1 through 31-13-30 (also known as and hereinafter referred to as "the Alabama Immigration Act") as amended by Act No. 2012-491 on May 16, 2012 is applicable to all competitively bid contracts with the City of Huntsville. As a condition for the award of a contract and as a term and condition of the contract with the City of Huntsville, in accordance with § 31-13-9 (a) of the Alabama Immigration Act, as amended, any business entity or employer that employs one or more employees shall not knowingly employ, hire for employment, or continue to employ an unauthorized alien within the State of Alabama. During the performance of the contract, such business entity or employer shall participate in the E-Verify program and shall verify every employee that is required to be verified according to the applicable federal rules and regulations. The business entity or employer shall assure that these requirements are included in each subcontract in accordance with §31-13-9(c). Failure to comply with these requirements may result in breach of contract, termination of the contract or subcontract, and possibly suspension or revocation of business licenses and permits in accordance with §31-13-9 (e) (1) & (2). Code of Alabama (1975) § 31-13-9 (k) requires that the following clause be included in all City of Huntsville contracts that have been competitively bid and is hereby made a part of this contract:

"By signing this contract the contracting parties affirm, for the duration of the agreement, that they will not violate federal immigration law or knowingly employ, hire for employment, or continue to employ an unauthorized alien within the State of Alabama. Furthermore, a contracting party found to be in violation of this provision shall be deemed in breach of the agreement and shall be responsible for all damages resulting therefrom."

Contractor's E-Verify Memorandum of Understanding shall be a part of the contract bid documents and shall be submitted with the bid package.

#### **ALABAMA IMMIGRATION ACT (Beason-Hammon Alabama Taxpayer and Citizen Protection Act, Act No. 2011-535, Code of Alabama (1975))**

Compliance with the requirements of the (Beason-Hammon Alabama Taxpayer and Citizen Protection Act, Act No. 2011-535, Code of Alabama (1975) § 31-13-1 through 31-13-30, as amended by Alabama Act 2012-241, commonly referred to as the Alabama Immigration Law, is required for City of Huntsville, Alabama contracts that are competitively bid as a condition of the contract performance. The Contractor shall submit in the bid package, with the requested information included on the form, the "City of Huntsville, Alabama Report of Ownership Form" listed in the bid proposal as Attachment "I". The bidder selected for award of the contract may be required to complete additional forms relating to citizenship or alien status of the bidder and its employees, including e-verify information, prior to award of a contract.

**ALABAMA ACT 2016-312**

**"In accordance with Alabama Act 2016-312 as adopted and approved on May 5, 2016, on behalf of \_\_\_\_\_ (insert name of business) I do hereby certify and represent that this business is not currently engaged in, and will not engage in, the boycott of a person or an entity based in or doing business with a jurisdiction with which this state can enjoy open trade.**

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**Title: \_\_\_\_\_**

**(Signature of authorized individual)"**

**Advertise Date: 9/16/16**